18–106. ACKNOWLEDGMENT: PROTESTS AND DECLARATIONS.

## A NOTARY PUBLIC MAY:

- (1) RECEIVE THE PROOF OR ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF ALL INSTRUMENTS OF WRITING RELATING TO COMMERCE OR NAVIGATION AND OTHER WRITINGS AS HAVE BEEN USUALLY PROVED AND ACKNOWLEDGED BEFORE NOTARIES; AND
- (2) MAKE PROTESTS AND DECLARATIONS AND TESTIFY TO THE TRUTH OF THE PROTESTS AND DECLARATIONS UNDER THE NOTARY'S NOTARIAL SEAL OF OFFICE CONCERNING ALL MATTERS DONE BY THE NOTARY IN VIRTUE OF THE NOTARY'S OFFICE.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section is new language derived without substantive change from former Art. 68, § 4.

The word "may" is substituted for the former phrase "shall have the power to" to conform to the style of revised articles of the Code.

In item (2) of this section, the phrase "of the protests and declarations" is substituted for the former word "thereof" for clarity.

18-107. REGISTER; CERTIFIED COPIES OF RECORD.

A NOTARY PUBLIC SHALL KEEP A FAIR REGISTER OF ALL PROTESTS AND OTHER OFFICIAL ACTS DONE BY THE NOTARY IN VIRTUE OF THE NOTARY'S OFFICE AND SHALL, WHEN REQUIRED, GIVE A CERTIFIED COPY OF ANY RECORD IN THE NOTARY'S OFFICE TO ANY PERSON APPLYING FOR THE RECORD ON PAYMENT OF THE USUAL FEES FOR THE CERTIFIED COPY BY THE PERSON APPLYING FOR IT.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section is new language derived without substantive change from former Art. 68, § 5.

The reference to any person applying for the "record" is substituted for the former reference to any person applying for the "same" for clarity.

The reference to the "payment of the usual fees for the certified copy by the person applying for it" is substituted for the former reference to the "said person paying the usual fees therefor" for clarity.

18-108. NOTARY SEAL OR STAMP.

## (A) IN GENERAL.

A NOTARY PUBLIC SHALL PROVIDE A PUBLIC NOTARIAL SEAL OR STAMP WITH WHICH THE NOTARY SHALL AUTHENTICATE THE NOTARY'S ACTS, INSTRUMENTS, AND ATTESTATIONS, ON WHICH SEAL OR STAMP SHALL BE SHOWN A DEVICE THAT THE NOTARY THINKS PROPER AND FOR LEGEND SHALL HAVE THE NAME, SURNAME, AND OFFICE OF THE NOTARY AND THE NOTARY'S PLACE OF RESIDENCE, WHICH SHALL BE DESIGNATED BY THE COUNTY OF THE NOTARY'S RESIDENCE OR IF THE NOTARY IS A RESIDENT OF THE CITY OF BALTIMORE, BY THE CITY OF BALTIMORE.

(B) OUT-OF-STATE NOTARY.